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Re: Case No. ~~QWE-T-02-11~~

GMR-T-02-16

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Dear Ms. Jewell:

Enclosed for filing are seven (7) copies of the **Petition to Intervene of Qwest Corporation.**

If you have any questions or comments, please let me know.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mary S. Hobson".

Mary S. Hobson

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BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

**IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF
POTLATCH TELEPHONE COMPANY;
CENTURYTEL OF IDAHO;
CENTURYTEL OF THE GEM STATE;
AND THE IDAHO TELEPHONE
ASSOCIATION FOR A DECLARATORY
ORDER PROHIBITING THE USE OF
"VIRTUAL" NXX CALLING**

CASE NO. GNR-T-02-16

**PETITION TO INTERVENE OF
QWEST CORPORATION**

Qwest Corporation ("Qwest"), by and through its attorneys of record, respectfully petitions the Idaho Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") for leave to intervene in the above captioned proceeding pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure for the following reasons:

1. Qwest is a corporation authorized to do and doing business in the state of Idaho, with its principal Idaho business office located at 999 Main Street, Boise, Idaho, 83702. Qwest is a corporation organized under the laws of the state of Colorado and is authorized to engage in the furnishing of general telephone service in the north central and southern portions of Idaho and elsewhere in the western United States.

2. Qwest has a direct and substantial interest in the above entitled proceedings because this case potentially deals with issues that could impact the operations of Qwest in Idaho.


3. Qwest does not expect that its intervention will broaden the issues in this case or prejudice any party.

4. Qwest desires to intervene in order that it might receive documents and if its interests require, comment, cross-examine witnesses and present evidence in this case. At this point, Qwest cannot inform the Commission or other parties how involved its individual participation in this proceeding will be because the positions of the other parties and the Commission's Staff are not yet fully known. Therefore, Qwest cannot presently inform the Commission as to the type of evidence it will present if any, or the length of time necessary for such presentation.

5. It is respectfully requested that all pleadings, testimony, exhibits, orders of the Commission and any other documents relating to this proceeding be served upon the Qwest and its attorney, to wit:

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RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED This 15th day of October, 2002.



Mary S. Hobson
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Attorneys for Qwest Corporation

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on the 15th day of October, 2002, I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing **PETITION TO INTERVENE OF QWEST CORPORATION** to be served by the method indicated below, and addressed to the following:

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